

Weekly Diabetes Update

11-02-07

1. Activities planned for November - American Diabetes Month – and November 14 - World Diabetes Day.

There are “many faces of diabetes.” Nearly 21 million children and adults in the United States are living with diabetes, and another 54 million people are at-risk. But those aren’t the only faces affected by diabetes. If you are a health care provider, parent or loved one caring for someone with diabetes, your face is in the picture too.

State and Territorial Diabetes Prevention and Control Programs (DPCPs) have planned many activities or special events in conjunction with Diabetes Awareness Month or Diabetes Awareness Day (November 14, 2007). For information on their activities, please click on the following link: [DPCP Diabetes Day/Month Activities: November 2007](#)

A list of activities is posted on the National Association of Chronic Disease Directors (NACDD) Diabetes website at <http://www.chronicdisease.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=3314>. If you would like your activities posted, please send them to Victoria.Warren@dhss.mo.gov. Put “Activities for Diabetes Month/Day” in the subject line. Your activities will also be shared through the weekly update.

2. Flu Vaccination Poster

CDC has developed a series of posters encouraging people to get their flu vaccine. One is of a parent saying that his daughter has diabetes so both of them will be getting a flu vaccine. These can be downloaded and printed from the following link: <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/professionals/flugallery/> Materials are available in English and Spanish.

3. Web Conference on Cultural Diversity, Health Disparities and Public Health

Register Now:

- Cultural Diversity, Health Disparities and Public Health
- Wednesday, November 28, 2007
- 12:00-1:30 p.m.(Central Time)

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Click here to register: (<http://www.adph.org/alphnt/>)

Read the attached flyer for more information.

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4. EPA FACT SHEET

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Aging Initiative has developed a fact sheet for older adults and their caregivers describing the negative impacts of environmental hazards on the health of individuals living with diabetes. This fact sheet outlines simple and important preventative steps to reduce exposure to environmental hazards and protect one's health. You may request copies of the fact sheet, at no cost, or download it from their website at <http://epa.gov/aging/resources/factsheets/index.htm#deh>.

Cultural Diversity, Health Disparities and Public Health

Satellite Conference and Live Webcast

Wednesday, November 28, 2007 • 12:00-1:30 p.m. (Central Time)

1:00-2:30 p.m. (Eastern) • 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (Mountain) • 10:00-11:30 a.m. (Pacific)

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Program Objectives:

1. Acquire an introductory knowledge of the cultural diversity terminology and concepts.
 2. Apply concepts on cultural diversity to the public health problem of health disparities.
 3. Identify potential social, political and economic determinants of health disparities for culturally diverse population groups.
 4. Identify and clarify the role of the public health community in addressing health disparities.
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Conference Details:

Target Audience: All health personnel, including secretaries, receptionists, nurses, administrators and outreach workers, who work with clients who come from cultural or racial backgrounds different from their own.

Registration: www.adph.org/alphthn

CEUs: None for this program

Satellite Technical Information: Ku & C bands

Webcast Access: On the day of the program, go to www.adph.org/alphthn and click on the "view webcast" link.

Conference Materials: Posted on ADPH website approximately one week before the program.

PROGRAM FORMAT:

You are invited to join an in-depth question and answer session hosted by Joshua Klapow, PhD from the South Central Center for Public Health Preparedness. Dr. Klapow will interview leading public health professionals from around the country, and your questions will be answered live as they are received throughout the broadcast. The content of the discussions will be determined by you!

For a preview of the program format, visit:

www.adph.org/alphthn and click the Preparedness Video Link.

You can email your questions in advance to: alphthnquestions@adph.state.al.us

The South Central Center for Public Health Preparedness is a partnership of the state health departments in Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi and the Schools of Public Health at UAB and Tulane University, with funding from CDC.

